UTAH KIDS READY TO READ!

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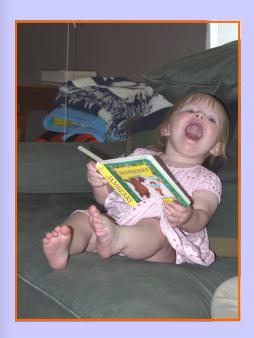
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"The mission of *Utah Kids Ready to Read!* is to provide information, training, technical assistance, and resources on emergent literacy for Utah librarians and their community partners.

Our vision is for all parents and caregivers to nurture their children's early literacy skills, and for all children to develop as independent, lifelong readers."

WHAT IS EMERGENT LITERACY?

Emergent literacy is what a child needs to know <u>before</u> he or she can learn to read. Research shows that there are six prereading skills that must be acquired before a child can learn to read.

WHAT ARE THE SIX SKILLS?



- PRINT MOTIVATION thinking that books and reading are fun
- VOCABULARY knowing the names of things

- PRINT AWARENESS recognizing print and understanding how books work
- LETTER KNOWLEDGE understanding that each letter has its own name and sounds
- NARRATIVE SKILLS being able to tell stories and describe things
- PHONOLOGICAL

 AWARENESS –

 being able to recognize and play
 with the smaller sounds that
 make up words

